

CSWC Operational Period Summary

0600 December 29 2014 to 1800 December 29 2014



Waves crash on Manhattan Beach pier during heavy rains on 12/12/14.

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SITUATION SUMMARY

Weather of Concern

- A cold upper low will move over California during the middle of this week bringing a chilly and windy end to 2014.
- For Northern California, light snow accumulations will be possible along the Sierra. However, the bigger impact will be the north winds that develop Tuesday into Wednesday. Trees remain drought-stressed may be more susceptible to being toppled than normal. The strong north winds are also an atypical direction for Solano County, and could lead to exacerbated downed tree issues.
- For Southern California, rain is going to be the problem in elevations below 2500 feet with snow above that level. Travel headaches are sure to be the rule on New Year's Eve. Snow expected in Southeast California Deserts and Mountains Tuesday through Wednesday afternoon. Up to 2 inches in most desert locations, including Joshua Tree National Park and the I-5 Grapevine, and 4 to 6 inches over higher elevations. Snow levels will drop to 2000 feet by early Wednesday morning. Very low temps are forecast for San Diego for New Years Eve with coastal area temps ranging from 32 to 41 degrees.
- Cal OES Southern Region has polled its OA's and one county (Santa Barbara) intends to open Warming Centers. No OAs anticipate activating EOCs for the projected storm this week.
- High Wind Warning in effect from 1600 Tuesday through 1000 Wednesday for the Sierra Nevada from Yosemite to King's Canyon (*portions of Fresno, Madera, Mariposa, and Tuolumne Counties*).
- Winter Storm Warning in effect from 1600 Tuesday to 0400 Thursday above 2000 feet for the Eastern Mojave Desert Including the Mojave National Preserve and Morongo Basin (*portions of San Bernardino County*).
- Winter Storm Warning in effect from 1600 Tuesday through 1600 Wednesday above 2000 feet for the Apple and Lucerne Valleys, Coachella Valley, Riverside County Mountains, San Bernardino County Mountains, San Bernardino and Riverside County Valleys -The Inland Empire, San Diego County Deserts, San Diego County Mountains, San Diego County Valleys, Santa Ana Mountains and Foothills (*portions of Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties*).
- Winter Storm Watch in effect from Tuesday evening through Wednesday morning for the Antelope Valley, Los Angeles County Mountains excluding the Santa Monica Range, and Ventura County Mountains (*portions of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties*).
- Hard Freeze Watch in effect from Wednesday evening through Thursday morning for the Santa Ynez Valley and Ventura County Interior Valleys (*portions of Ventura County*).
- Hard Freeze Watch in effect from late Tuesday night through Wednesday morning for the Redwood Coast (*portions of Del Norte and Humboldt Counties*).
- Freeze Watch in effect from Wednesday evening through Thursday morning for Los Angeles County San Fernando Valley, Los Angeles County San Gabriel Valley, San Luis Obispo County Central Coast, Santa Barbara County Central Coast, Santa Barbara County South Coast, Santa Clarita Valley, Santa Monica Mountains Recreational Area, and Ventura County Coastal Valleys (*portions of Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties*).

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwwa_bc_cal.php

SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought
- Yuba County Drought Continuation Proclamation received today, 12/29/14, dated 12/16/14.
- Tulare County Drought Reaffirmations received today, 12/29/14, dated 12/02/14 and 12/16/14.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

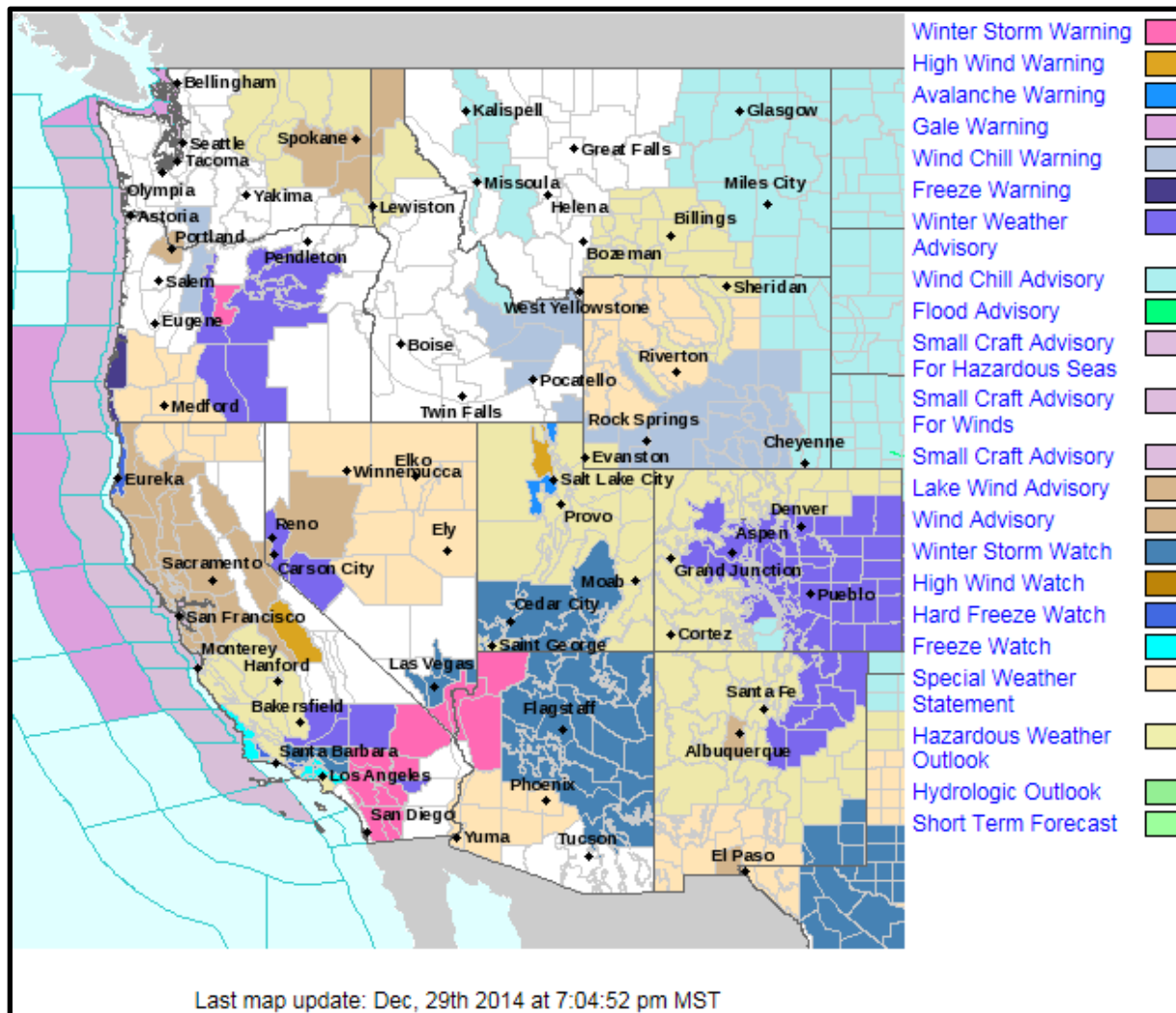
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

A relatively cold weather system dropping south through the Pacific Northwest east of the Cascades will cross Northern California tonight and Tuesday. Not a lot of precipitation is expected with this system where it falls, which will mostly be near and east of the Cascade/Sierra crest and possibly along the Oregon border west of the crest as well. The most notable weather event with this system will be very strong north to east winds that will develop tonight and last through Wednesday. Wind gusts 50 to 70 mph are expected Tuesday and Tuesday night, strongest near the crest. Wind speeds will decrease Wednesday morning, but notable off shore flow will continue into New Year's Day. With very moist soil conditions of late, there will be a possibility of trees being blown down. Afternoon high temperatures for the next few days will also be somewhat below normal with the warmest inland valley areas 48-54. Dry, seasonably warm conditions (mostly mid-40's and 50's) and light winds will return for the New Year's weekend. Areas of overnight and morning valley fog will be possible then as well.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Northwest flow aloft will maintain temperatures around 5 degrees below normal and minimum humidity in the teens away from the Central Valley today. Maximum temperatures will be in the 40s across the mountains and mid-50s to mid-60s in the valleys. Westerly winds of 20 to 30 mph with gusts to 50 mph will surface across the desert passes through tonight. A cold area of low pressure from Canada will drop southward into the region causing temperatures to become 10 to 15 degrees below normal Tuesday through Thursday. Mountain temperatures will be in the mid-20s to mid-30s while the valleys will be in the mid-40s to mid-50s. This low pressure area will also bring scattered showers with less than a quarter inch of rainfall to the region Tuesday and Wednesday. The snow level will be around 2,000 feet. Offshore winds of 20 to 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph will surface across the mountains and below the canyons and passes of Southern California Tuesday night through Wednesday morning. Temperatures will warm and humidity will drop into the teens away from the Central Valley Friday through this weekend as a strong ridge of high pressure builds into California from the Pacific Ocean.

STATE WEATHER MAP



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Boles Incident Vegetation Fire- City of Weed, Siskiyou County

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- On 10/06/14, the Governor issued Executive Order (EO) B-27-14, which provides CDAA, and debris removal assistance, including the suspension of rules and regulations impacting debris removal. The EO also provides the ability for nonprofit organizations to seek reimbursement for extraordinary activities through the State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program. As of 12/05/14, all debris removal operations are complete.
- On 10/28/14, the City of Weed reestablished water pressure to its downtown area; however, the water storage capacity for fire suppression is still lacking. The City expects water storage to be restored by 12/31/14, or sooner if the weather permits.

Individual Assistance

- On 10/01/14, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved a disaster declaration making SBA assistance available in the primary County of Siskiyou and the contiguous counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Modoc, Shasta, and Trinity, making low-interest federal disaster loans available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations whose property was damaged or destroyed by the Boles Fire. The application deadline for property damage was 12/01/14. The deadline to return economic injury applications is 07/01/15.
- The Cal OES VAL continues to coordinate and participate in Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG) meetings with NGO, Faith Based, and local agencies. Shasta Community Foundation was identified as a fiscal agent for the group. Individuals needing assistance should be directed to the Family & Community Resource Center of Weed located at 260 Main Street, Weed. Funding organizations will assist with unmet needs through the case management process. The VAL continues to work with the Weed LTRG in identifying resources and gaps in services.
- The College of the Siskiyou's website contains a Fire Resource List of various local agencies offering goods and services. The document can be found at <http://www.siskiyous.edu/humanresources/documents/fireresourcelist.pdf>. Additional information on recovery efforts can be found at <https://weed.recovers.org/>.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 10 have withdrawn for a total of 53 RPAs submitted to FEMA.
- Kickoff Meeting: 53 Kickoff Meetings have been completed; leaving 2 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/7/2015.
- PW: 215 PWs are anticipated to be written as a result of the Napa Earthquake. Currently, 75 PWs are drafted, 34 PWs have been entered into the federal database system, 22 of which have been obligated.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa County regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The Napa Earthquake Recovery Group, aka, eNERGy will be holding a general meeting on December 18, 2014.
- Cal OES IA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) continues NGO coordination in Solano County. The Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG), a long term recovery group, has formed and has established by-laws and elected an Executive Board. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will provide case management training to local organizations in Napa and Solano counties.
- Assistance Centers – The County and City of Napa: Local Assistance Center (LAC) opened on 09/08/14 at 301 1st Street, Napa (corner of 1st Street and Silverado Trail). On 10/29/14, FEMA and SBA provided representatives in the Napa LAC. The operational hours for the LAC are Monday - Friday 9 AM to 6 PM; Saturdays 9 AM to 4 PM; Sundays closed. **NOTE:** The LAC will be closed on 12/24, 12/25, and 12/26 and will open on 12/27 and 12/29/14.
- The Disaster Recovery Center located at 1155 Capitol Street in the City of Vallejo officially closed at 6 p.m. on 11/25/14, and on Monday, 12/01/14, SBA opened a Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) at the John F. Kennedy Library, 505 Santa Clara Street, 3rd Floor, Vallejo. The operational hours for the DLOC are Monday – Thursday 10 AM to 6PM; Fridays 10 AM to 5 PM.
- The LAC and DLOC is open until further notice. The DLOC in Vallejo will close on Tuesday, December 23, 2014.



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

Cal OES Regions and Recovery continue to work closely with all impacted operational areas to assess the impacts, losses, and costs of the December Winter Storm.

Cal OES Coastal Region

Recovery

- A Local Assistance Center (LAC) will be established for residents and business owners to apply for assistance at the South San Francisco Parking Structure located at 329 Miller Avenue, SSF. SBA will operate their Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) out of the LAC and will continue as needed, even after the LAC closes.

TENTATIVE LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTER SCHEDULE:

- January 5-6, 2015
- Hours to be determined

Missions:

- **2014-CREOC-8008**, San Mateo County requests 4 State Housing and Community Development evaluators to assist the County with assessing the impacts of the flood on 80 mobile homes. Mission was completed 12/19/14, but will remain open until after the holidays for inspectors to monitor again and reach those they couldn't on the initial visit to ensure they have no major damage and to give them the Flood Damage Repair Guidelines material.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.